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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Dr. Jorge Fernandez, President
Proteco
P.O. Box 71331
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RCRA Status: As of 4/98
Proteco is implementing
closure of H/Waste units.

Contact PREAB
in regards to other issue
any on enforcement.

Re: Approval of Closure Plan for the Hazardous Waste Units at
the Proteco Facility, EPA ID Number PRD091018622

Dear Dr. Fernandez:

On August 5, 1997, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) public noticed its tentative determination to approve Proteco's September 1996 Closure Plan, as revised by letters of March 14, 1997 and March 26, 1997 (herein referred to as the "Closure Plan"), which includes the use of a Corrective Action Management Unit. In the public notice, EPA requested comments from any interested parties on the Closure Plan and EPA's tentative determination to approve the Closure Plan. The public comment period ended on September 19, 1997. EPA did not receive any comments during the comment period, nor did the Agency receive a request to extend the comment period. Therefore, the public comment period will not be extended and is considered closed.

EPA hereby approves the Closure Plan. This approved Closure Plan is deemed incorporated into the Amended Consent Decree pursuant to Section IV, paragraph 10 of the Decree. Proteco shall implement closure pursuant to the terms of the approved Closure Plan and the Amended Consent Decree. Day 0 on the schedule for closure activity will begin on Monday, November 3, 1997.

Proteco is
currently installing
RCRA caps on
its units.

Proteco is encouraged to arrange a teleconference or meeting with my office to discuss any issues which might arise regarding implementation of the closure plan.

If you have any question on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Clifford Ng at (212) 637-4113.

Sincerely yours,

Kathleen Callahan,
Director
Division for Environmental Planning and Protection

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